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INTERFEROMETRIC SYSTEM FOR PRECISION IMAGING

VIBRATING STRUCTURES

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RESPONSE

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced \mathscr{P} application are respectfully requested. The following comments are responsive to the August 11, 2000 Office Action. Applicants respectfully reconsideration of the application in view of the following comments.

Response to the Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C § 103

Claims 1-11 and 15-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 3,899,921 issued to Hockley or U.S. Patent No. 4,313,679 issued to Wolff, et al. in view of a variety of secondary references, including U.S. Patent No. 5,706,084 issued to Gutierrez. The rejection asserts

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